

PROCLAMATION **MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY**OCTOBER 25, 2003

WHEREAS, serious social problems concern our nation and threaten its future; and

WHEREAS, connecting with others and working together through volunteer service can bridge the differences that separate people and help solve social problems; and

WHEREAS, millions of self-sacrificing individuals touched and enhanced the lives of millions on the ninth annual day of doing good by giving where there was need, rebuilding what had been torn down, teaching where there was a desire to learn and inspiring those who had lost hope; and

WHEREAS, the Points of Light Foundation and its affiliate volunteer centers have joined to promote an annual national day of doing good that celebrates and strengthens the spirit of volunteer service; and

WHEREAS, President Bush has encouraged all Americans to take advantage of the resources of the USA Freedom Corps to help meet the needs of their neighbors; and

NOW THEREFORE, as the Governor of the State of North Dakota, I do hereby proclaim October 25, 2003, "MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY" in the State of North Dakota.

/s/ John Hoeven Governor

Attest:

/s/ Alvin A. Jaeger Secretary of State